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JUDICIAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES
HEARINGS OF THE JUDICIAL CONFERENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEES
ON THE FEDERAL RULES OF APPELLATE, BANKRUPTCY, CIVIL, AND
CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

AGENCY: Judicial Conference of the United States
Advisory Committees on the Federal Rules of Appellate,
Bankruptcy, Civil, and Criminal Procedure

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Amendments and Open Hearings

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committees on the Federal Rules of Appellate, Bankruptcy, Civil, and Criminal Procedure have proposed amendments to the following rules and forms:

Appellate Rules: 8, 11, 25, 28.1, 29, 31, 39, and 41, and Form 4

Bankruptcy Rules: 3002.1, 5005, 8002, 8006, 8011, 8013, 8015, 8016, 8017, new Rule 8018.1, 8022, 8023, and new Part VIII Appendix; and Official Forms 309F, 417A, 417C, 425A, 425B, 425C, and 426

Civil Rules: 5, 23, 62, and 65.1

Criminal Rules: 12.4, 45, and 49

The text of the proposed rules and the accompanying Committee Notes are posted on the Judiciary's website at:

<http://www.uscourts.gov/rules-policies/proposed-amendments-published-public-comment>.

All written comments and suggestions with respect to the proposed amendments may be submitted on or after the opening of the period for public comment on August 15, 2016, but no later than February 15, 2017. Written comments must be submitted electronically, following the instructions provided on the website. All comments submitted will be available for public inspection.

Public hearings are scheduled to be held on these proposed amendments as follows:

- Appellate Rules in Washington, D.C., on October 17, 2016, and in Denver, Colorado, on January 20, 2017;
- Bankruptcy Rules in Pasadena, California, on January 24, 2017;
- Civil Rules in Washington, D.C., on November 3, 2016, in Phoenix, Arizona, on January 4, 2017, and in Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas, on February 16, 2017;
- Criminal Rules in Phoenix, Arizona, on January 4, 2017, and in Washington, D.C., on February 24, 2017.

Those wishing to testify must contact the Secretary by email at:

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